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For: COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK PLANNING

SYSTEM, METHOD FOR CREATING

COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK DIAGRAMS

AND CONTROL PROGRAM FOR A

COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK PLANNING

SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request entry on this Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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